

2010 Legislative Summary Continued

Indiana State Board of Accounts
Summer 2010



Campaign Signs





Neighborhood Associations

- SB 64
- Covenants/Restrictions
- 30 days before
- 5 days after
- Can regulate size, number and location within reason





Local Ordinances

- County can adopt
- County enforces
- Private citizens cannot remove signs

Clerk's Personal Liability

- HB 1044
- Clerks Not Personally Liable on the job
- Exceptions—Gross Negligence or Intentional Disregard of Duties
- Insurance/Errors and Omissions







Alcohol Sales

- SB 75
- Allowed on Election Day
- IC 3-11-8-5 remains (no polling sites in a room where alcohol is stored or sold)



Government Ethics

- HB 1001
- Prohibits state officers and statewide candidates from raising money during long session
- Removes dual filing for legislative candidates-Effective January, 2011.
- Requires Clerks to provide copies of reports from IED's website



Voters With Disabilities

- HB 1109
- Satellite offices must be accessible
- Absentee voting systems must be accessible (except in voter's home)
- Provides for central count of absentee ballots cast on DRE's
- Makes certain that all absentee voters w disabilities are able to designate a helper



Action Required

- CEB must adopt resolution for DRE's for Absentee Voting (IC 3-11-10-26.2)
- Deliver list of DRE voters to precincts along with optical scan absentee ballots
- Central count DRE votes cast during absentee voting. (See IC 3-11.5)



Absentee Applications

- Then—no applications prior to 90 days out
- Now—applications can be received as soon as VR reopens following primary
- Effective date—July 1, 2010.
- HB 1109
- Counties be prepared!!!



Petition and Referenda Changes

Since 2007, the General Assembly has made amendments to the process by which local units of government finance projects with taxpayer dollars.



Notice

- HB 1086
- Requires local units of government to notify clerk anytime a controlled project is being considered



Ballot Language

- Permits CEB to approve language for public question
- Requires CEB to submit proposed ballot language to DLGF for recommendations

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Referenda vs. Petition/Remonstrance

Permits local unit of government to determine the referenda process applies instead of the petition/remonstrance process

Requires local unit of government to notify clerk of resolution to go the referenda route



Petition/Remonstrance Signers

- SB 401
- Mobile Home or Manufactured Home owners who reside in the home are permitted to sign a petition for a controlled project
- These homes are sometimes taxed as personal property—questions about whether they were allowed to participate.

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